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Katsuyuki Inage et al.

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For: PHOTOGRAPHY PRINT SYSTEM AND  
METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE  
SAME

Examiner: D. M. Gray

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement mailed on December 16, 2004, Applicants hereby elect the species of embodiments beginning at paragraphs [0056] and [0074], and claims 1-8 readable thereon. As discussed during a telephone interview between the Examiner and Applicants' representatives on January 5, 2004, embodiments described beginning at paragraphs [0056] and [0074] disclose embodiments covered by claims 1-8.

Applicants' election is made without prejudice. Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to not more than two species in addition to the elected species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.146.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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